MERELY COMMENT

That phone fight is between the people and the loop.

And, quite naturally, the newspapers are fighting for the loop.

A council that will accept stock exchange resolutions as public opinion will go wrong.

The stock exchange, next to the board of trade, is the biggest gambling joint in town.

Now let the women of Chicago get

busy on that phone fight.

They have made the good fight so far to prevent the phone trust from grabbing and junking the automatic.

Let them back up the council in

every ward in Chicago.

Judge Wells holds that legitimacy of children born in wedlock cannot be questioned.

Over in Europe the necessities of war are fast driving governments to the conclusion that every child is legitimate.

A healthy child born out of wedlock can carry a gun just as easily as one of the purest pedigree.

And Europe needs gun-carriers

and gun-fodder.

What Chicago needs is more wise business men who will give the people the benefit of their influence and talent when public questions arise.

As a rule, the more successful a lawyer is, the poorer a citizen he is

bound to be.

Having a market for his talent among the beneficiaries of special privilege he sells it there and is generally against the public interest.

Aldermen needn't be afraid of the

trust press.

The people of Chicago are learning to do their own thinking and their own voting.

Stand by the people and let the newspaper bosses go jump in the lake.

If Mayor Thompson thinks newspapers control the people, let him look at his vote in April.

The press was against him, but the ling dates conceled.

people were for him. And Big Buslness was against him, too.

HAD TO LIVE ON TIPS—SORE WHEN HE DIDN'T GET ONE

Louis Weiss, manager of the Bristol Cafe, 6319 S. Halsted st., was yesterday brought before Judge Wade on charge of assaulting Alex Nulls, a waiter. Nulia testified that they had quarreled when he had called a patron a cheap skate when he received no tip.

"Why did you do this?" the judge

asked

"We are not paid wages," Nulla replied. "We live on our tips. That night I made very little. I lost my temper and Weiss struck me."

Judge Wade continued the case.

WHERE'S MISSING WITNESS?

Every detective attached to State's Att'y Hoyne's office was today placed on the trail of an important witness who disappeared vesterday.

As the man's testimony involves a number of policemen, some of whom have not yet been indicted, Ass't State's Att'y Frank Johnston, Jr., claims that it is another attempt to break up his case against indicted officials which is soon to come to trial.

MRS. GOSSELIN GETS DIVORCE

Mrs. Stephen Gosselin, wife of the auditor for board of supervising engineers, was granted a divorce yesterday by Judge Foell on the ground of "extreme and repeated cruelty."

Two years ago Gosselin tried to have his wife declared insane. She was arrested and brought before the Cook county court. A jury found her sane.

Evansville, Ind. — Mrs. Anne Strodes, 74, filed divorce complaint against 13th husband, Harrison, 82. Says she will marry again.

New York.—Transylvania requisitioned by British government. Sail-